

Special K-12 Endorsement in Physical Education

To receive an endorsement to teach Physical Education, a person must:

- 1. Hold a bachelor's degree, AND
 - A. Have completed an approved program of preparation for teaching physical education in kindergarten through grade 12; **OR**
 - B. Forty-two semester credits which must include course work in *each* of the following:
 - I. Anatomical Kinesiology or Mechanical Kinesiology, or both
 - II. The Physiology of Exercise
 - III. Testing and measuring the skill and ability of a pupil in physical education
 - IV. The psychological or social aspects of physical education, or both
 - V. Motor learning or motor development
 - VI. Adapted physical education
 - VII. Movement activities for pupils in preschool and primary grades
 - VIII. Movement activities for pupils in intermediate grades
 - IX. Advanced first aid or an equivalent course of study
 - X. Methods and techniques of teaching in each of the following areas
 - a. Physical fitness
 - b. Team sports
 - c. Rhythms and dance or rhythmic activities for pupils in elementary school; and
 - d. Individual sports; AND
 - C. Twenty-two semester credits in professional education to include:
 - I. Foundations of Education
 - II. Methods of teaching Physical Education in elementary **AND** secondary grades; **AND**
 - III. Eight semester credits of student teaching in a composite program which must be split between elementary and secondary grade levels. All 8 credits of student teaching could be completed at the middle school or junior high school level (6-8) and meet the K-12 requirement.

NOTE: If your student teaching was at the elementary level only or at the secondary grade level only, you will not qualify for the K-12 PE endorsement; however, you might qualify for the K-8 PE endorsement.

